



**TOWN BOARD  
TOWN OF OSSINING  
16 CROTON AVEUNE  
OSSINING MUNICIPAL BUILDING-1<sup>ST</sup> FLOOR BOARD ROOM  
OSSINING, NEW YORK  
OCTOBER 10, 2017  
7:30 P.M.**

**SUPERVISOR  
Dana Levenberg**

**COUNCILMEMBERS  
Karen M. D'Attore Elizabeth R. Feldman  
Kim L. Jeffrey Northern Wilcher, Jr.**

**I. CALL TO ORDER – PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – ROLL CALL**

The Special Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Ossining was held on October 10, 2017 at the Ossining Municipal Building, 16 Croton Avenue-1<sup>st</sup> Floor Board Room, Ossining, NY. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Supervisor Dana Levenberg. Members of the Board present were: Councilmembers Kim Jeffrey, Elizabeth R. Feldman and Karen D'Attore. Councilmember Northern Wilcher Jr. was absent. Also present were Town Counsel Christie Tom Addona, Budget Officer Madeline Zachacz and Town Clerk Mary Ann Roberts.

**II. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

We have been quite busy in the Town of Ossining as of late, but before we get into the upcoming events, I want to give everyone an update on the work at Route 9A and Route 134. The State is set to open the road tonight at 1am. They are just finishing up striping and guardrails. They still have a few more items but will have the road open with some flag personnel directing traffic to get the last few items complete. Hopefully, traffic will be flowing normally tomorrow and so will the stormwater around that formerly problematic intersection. Thanks again to Michael G. O'Connor and the Town Highway Department, especially our Foreman Johnny Martin, our master mason Matteo Velardo, John Orlando and Kevin Moore for their hard work on the triple pipe and new wall, and to Andy Tiess for his help coordinating this massive job with the folks from the State and our contractor Manganaro, including new water and sewer lines. We know the neighborhood is happy to finally get this work done, and so are we.

I also want to encourage everyone to take a ride up to Cedar Lane Park and check out the awesome work that our Parks Department has done at the Pavilion. I will venture to say that you will barely recognize it, and to say that the work was done quickly is an understatement. Thanks to our Parks Foreman Mario Velardo and his team, Juan Toribio, Marco Piscopiello, Steve White, Larry Abreau Jr. and of course, Matteo Velardo for their vision on this beautiful site, and another thanks to Paul Fraioli for helping us put the project all together with our paving contractor, Rinaldi.

I am pleased to report that this Thursday, October 12<sup>th</sup>, the Town of Ossining will be hosting the Westchester Municipal Officials Association monthly meeting at our own The Briarcliff Manor, Antipasti di Napoli. Each member municipality is asked to host once every five years, and it is an opportunity to show our visiting guests some of our best venues and most delicious cuisine. Fortunately for us, WMOA allowed us to participate in choosing a topic for the meeting, and we knew right away who we wanted to invite. Sean Pica, Executive Director of Hudson Link, to discuss all of the wonderful programs Hudson Link is involved with, and to discuss the "ban the box," movement which encourages employers to ban the box where an

applicant indicates whether or not they have been convicted of a crime. Many other municipalities have changed their forms so that those in positions of hiring do not automatically eliminate a candidate before they have been given a chance to interview for a job. We are very much looking forward to Sean's presentation and from hearing feedback from our neighboring municipalities.

### III. LIAISON REPORTS

Councilperson Jeffrey announced that the Village of Briarcliff Manor and the Town of Ossining as well as the State elected officials (Assemblywoman Galef and Senator Carlucci) are working on the 9A and North State Road Project). Briarcliff Manor is in charge of this project and the markings on Pleasantville Road are happening now. Site work has begun and as far as we know there will be no lane closures. The DOT is also entertaining new traffic lights.

### IV. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

Supervisor Levenberg stated: Fresh off her very first school tax collection, I'd like to invite our Receiver of Taxes Holly Perlowitz to join us and give an update as to how we did for the month of September.

- Tax Receiver-Holly Perlowitz

Tax Receiver Holly Perlowitz reported that her first school tax collection was successful with \$45.9 million in September and \$4 plus million in October. At this point \$1.5 million is delinquent. The Tax Receiver's Office was open longer hours than normal to assist residents in paying their taxes in person. There were only 700 taxpayers who paid on line out of 10,000 parcels. Please sign up for alerts to be sure you pay your taxes on time.

### V. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

### VI. BOARD RESOLUTIONS

#### A. Approval of Minutes-Regular Meeting

Councilmember Feldman moved and it was seconded by Councilmember Jeffrey that the following be TABLED:

Resolved, that the Town Board of the Town of Ossining hereby approves the September 26, 2017, Minutes of the Regular Meeting as presented.

Motion Carried: TABLED

#### B. Approval of Minutes-Special Meeting

Councilmember Feldman moved and it was seconded by Councilmember D'Attore that the following be approved:

Resolved, that the Town Board of the Town of Ossining hereby approves the October 3, 2017, Minutes of the Special Meeting as presented.

Motion Carried: Unanimously

#### C. Approval of Voucher Detail Report

Councilmember Jeffrey moved and it was seconded by Councilmember Feldman that the following be approved:

**Resolved, that the Town Board of the Town of Ossining hereby approves the Voucher Detail Report dated October 10, 2017 in the amount of \$165,330.08.**

**Motion Carried: Unanimously**

**VII. MONTHLY REPORTS**

**Councilmember Jeffrey moved and it was seconded by Councilmember Feldman that the following be approved:**

**Resolved, that the Town Board of the Town of Ossining hereby accepts the following monthly reports for the month of September 2017:**

- **Town Clerk's Office**
- **Town Supervisor's Office**
- **Town Tax Receiver's Office**

**Motion Carried: Unanimously**

**VIII. CORRESPONDENCE TO BE RECEIVED AND FILED**

**IX. VISITOR RECOGNITION**

**X. WORK SESSION:**

**Councilmember Jeffrey moved and it was seconded by Councilmember Feldman that meeting be adjourned to Work Session:**

**A. Ossining Boat & Canoe Club Siding: Tom Earle**

**Supervisor Levenberg stated that last week, Mr. Tom Earle of the Ossining Boat and Canoe Club joined us at our Work Session to discuss the need to replace some sections of siding on the building. Since this Board last met, I had the opportunity to meet with Tom and with Ms. Kaja Gam, a restoration design consultant who also happens to be on the Village's Historical Review Board, to explore what some other color options might be, and we discussed the types of treatment that would be best in line with the historic nature of the building. Kaja also was kind enough to advise us on what buildings of similar character look like along the waterfront, not just in Ossining, but in our surrounding communities as well. We left the meeting with a game plan, and I'd like to turn it over to Kaja and Tom to walk us through what they've been up to the last few days.**

**B. MOGO Bike Lane Project Update**

**Supervisor Levenberg stated that our other Work Session item this evening is an update on MOGO, or Millwood Ossining GO! The Town of Ossining, working with the Town of New Castle and the Village of Ossining, were awarded a \$30K grant by the Hudson River Valley Greenway to plan and design a network of open space corridors and bike lanes that could better connect our neighborhoods, tourist destinations and commercial hubs. I, along with my Confidential Secretary Victoria Cafarelli, have been working closely with the Ossining and New Castle Planning staff, along with Westchester County Planner Tracy Corbitt, to map out some potential options, and we had our first two community forums at Club Fit Briarcliff this past Thursday.**

**XI. ADJOURNMENT**

**At 8:50 P.M., Councilmember Jeffrey moved and it was seconded by Councilmember Feldman that the Special Meeting be adjourned to Work Session**

**Approved:**

**Mary Ann Roberts Town Clerk**